

### *Amendments to the Claims*

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application.

1. *(currently amended)* A method for providing information regarding a point of interest, comprising:

(a) receiving a query from a person containing a location code regarding a point of interest, wherein said location code includes location and categorical information about said point of interest;

(b) searching a database for information about said point of interest using said location code; and

(c) returning matching information to ~~a client~~ said person.

2. *(currently amended)* The method of claim 1, further comprising:

(d) sending said matching information to an application server;

(e) receiving a re-direct request from said person ~~client~~; and

(f) connecting said person ~~client~~ with a location specified in said re-direct request.

3. *(previously presented)* The method of claim 1, wherein said matching information includes one or more street addresses, phone numbers, e-mail address, and universal resource locators.

4. *(original)* The method of claim 1, wherein a location server, coupled to said database, receives said query.

5. *(previously presented)* The method of claim 1, wherein said database includes said information and said at least one location code.

6. *(previously presented)* The method of claim 1, further comprising displaying said location code on a map.

7. *(previously presented)* The method of claim 6, wherein said categorical information defines said point of interest as one of a restaurant, hotel, museum, theater, retail store, business, park, automatic teller machine, public telephone, bus stop, monument, or private residence.

8. *(previously presented)* The method of claim 1, wherein said query is received via one of the Internet or telephone.

9. *(previously presented)* The method of claim 1, wherein said location code includes four attributes: a zone ID, a category, a sub-category, and a unique identifier.

10. *(previously presented)* The method of claim 9, wherein said query identifies a wildcard as a substitute for at least one of said four attributes.

11. *(previously presented)* The method of claim 1, wherein said matching information includes a visual display of said point of interest.

12. *(previously presented)* The method of claim 11, wherein said visual display is a photograph.

13. *(currently amended)* The method of claim 1, further comprising providing a menu driven interface to allow said person ~~client~~ to enter said query.

14. *(currently amended)* The method of claim 1, wherein said location code is a numerical.

15. *(previously presented)* The method of claim 13, further comprising displaying said location code on a map.

16. *(previously presented)* The method of claim 14, wherein said query is received via one of the Internet or telephone.

17. *(currently amended)* A method for providing information regarding a point of interest, comprising:

- (a) receiving a query ~~containing~~ from a person at a location code regarding a point of interest;
- (b) searching a database for information about said point of interest using said location code; and
- (c) returning matching information to ~~a client~~ said person, wherein said information includes a visual display of said point of interest.

18. *(previously presented)* The method of claim 17, wherein said visual display is a photograph.

19. *(previously presented)* The method of claim 17, wherein said location code includes location and categorical information about said point of interest.

20. *(previously presented)* The method of claim 19, further comprising displaying said location code on a map.